

# **THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST**

14 July 1961

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1. Arrests of Guatemalan conspirators will probably continue

The leaders were not included in the estimated 100 recently apprehended, and they may still be a threat to the Ydigoras government.

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2. Restlessness in East Germany

Bloc pressures for a peace treaty and the prospects for continued unsatisfactory economic conditions have markedly raised the flow of refugees into West Berlin during the past two weeks. Ambassador Dowling believes that, for the time being, the regime will "succeed in holding popular concern in check." If Moscow continues to build up tension prior to the signing of a separate peace treaty and Ulbricht resorts to harsh measures to cut off the refugee flow and to introduce tighter economic policies, the ambassador foresees a "real possibility of explosion."

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- A. [redacted] Khrushchev left Moscow last Wednesday for a two-week stay near the Black Sea.
- B. The Soviet Ambassador, in a talk with Thai Prime Minister Sarit, criticized Thai dependence on the US in strong terms and demanded that Bangkok accept Soviet economic aid or face the consequences. Apparently in response, Sarit has publicly reiterated Thailand's willingness to accept Soviet aid if there were no conditions attached. [redacted]
- C. UAR President Nasir has offered to mediate the dispute between Pakistan and Afghanistan. [redacted]
- D. According to Ambassador Gavin, vague rumors continue to circulate in France that a new coup to unseat De Gaulle will be attempted during the summer.
- E. A Soviet good-will mission is scheduled to leave Moscow today for Brazil. It will also visit Mexico, Ecuador, Bolivia, and possibly Cuba. [redacted]

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